

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE:

Audit Report

MEETING DATE:

December 3, 1992

PREPARED BY:

City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None required. Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

For the first time in the City s history, the City of Lodi has received an unqualified audit opinion from the City's auditors for the 1991-92 fiscal year. This means that not only are the City's financial

record keeping practices in order, but that the auditor's report is submitted to the City without qualifications or exceptions. The report was delivered Tuesday. The City has never been able to achieve such a report - although the record keeping practices have always been in order because until now the City did not have in place a fixed asset accounting system. Such a system is now in place as a result of the efforts of Finance Director Dixon Flynn and his staff. The Finance Director coordinated this project with major participation by the departments of Community Development Public Works and Electric Utility.

A copy of the audit and the unqualified audit opinion has been sent to the offices of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) in Chicago. There, an evaluation team will examine the City of Lodi's report. We are optimistic that GFOA will then issue our City a Certificate of Excellence for Financial Reporting which is the highest award a City can receive.

The Finance Director will be in attendance at Thursday night's meeting to present a brief oral report on this matter. He, his staff and the staffs of the participating departments are to be commended.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Peterson

City Manager

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